

## Joint Meeting

### DIRE EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4404, making dire emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster assistance, food stamps, unemployment compensation administration, and other urgent needs, and transfers, and reducing funds budgeted for military spending for fiscal year ending September 30, 1990, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Thursday, May 10, 1990

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### Routine Proceedings, pages 10012-10099

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 2604-2610, S. Res. 282, and S. Con. Res. 129.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 129, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995. (S. Rept. No. 101-283)

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**Measures Passed:**

**Hatch Act Reform Amendments:** Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 20, to amend title 5, United States Code, to restore to Federal civilian employees their right to participate voluntarily, as private citizens, in the political processes of the Nation, and to protect such employees from improper political solicitations, and by 67 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 90), Senate passed the bill, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 135, Senate companion measure, as amended, and after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 88), Dole Amendment No. 1596, to provide limitations on the political activities of certain employees of the Federal Election Commission.

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(2) Simpson Amendment No. 1610, to clarify what is meant by a Federal employees organization for purposes of determining when a Federal employee may solicit for a multicandidate PAC.

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(3) Roth Amendment No. 1611, of a technical nature.

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(4) By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 89), Glenn Amendment 1612, to limit the permissible solicitation for participation in political activities by Federal employees.

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Rejected:

(1) Domenici Amendment No. 1609, to provide limitations on the political activities of certain employees of intelligence and law enforcement agencies. (By 58 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 87), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed conferees on the part of the Senate, as follows: Senators Glenn, Levin, Pryor, Kohl, Lieberman, Roth, Stevens, and Rudman.

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Subsequently, S. 135, Senate companion measure, was indefinitely postponed.

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**Robert S. Vance Federal Building:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3961, to redesignate the Federal building located at 1800 5th Avenue North in Birmingham, Alabama as the "Robert Smith Vance Federal Office Building and United States Courthouse" and the bill was then passed.

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Subsequently, by unanimous consent, Senate vitiated passage of S. 2068, Senate companion measure, which action occurred on Wednesday, May 9, and the measure was then indefinitely postponed.

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**Amtrak Authorizations—Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2364, to amend the Rail Passenger Service Act to authorize appropriations for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK).

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**Appointments:**

**North Atlantic Assembly Meeting:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a-1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly Meeting during the Second Session of the 101st Congress, to be held in Paris, France, May 11-14, 1990: Senators Burdick, Hatfield, McClure, Murkowski, and Gorton.

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**Commission on Agricultural Workers:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, in accordance with provisions in Public Law 99-603, appointed Clarence E.

Martin III, of West Virginia, to the Commission on Agricultural Workers.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Gilberto Guardia Fabrega, a citizen of the Republic of Panama, to be Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.

Sylvia Alice Earle, of California, to be Chief Scientist of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The following-named persons to be Members of the United States Sentencing Commission for the terms indicated:

For the remainder of the term expiring October 31, 1991: Michael S. Gelacak, of Virginia.

For a term expiring October 31, 1995: A. David Mazzone, of Massachusetts.

The following-named persons to be Members of the National Council on the Humanities for the terms indicated:

For a term expiring January 26, 1994: Billie Davis Gaines, of Georgia, Gary L. McDowell, of the District of Columbia, and, Jeanne J. Smoot, of North Carolina.

For a term expiring January 26, 1996: Bruce D. Benson, of Colorado.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—90)

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**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 5:09 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 11, 1990. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Mitchell in today's Record on page 10099.)

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1991 for land warfare programs of the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from Maj. Gen. Jerome H. Granrud, USA, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Oper-

ations and Plans, Force Development, Office of the Chief of Staff of the Army; Maj. Gen. James C. Cercy, USA, Deputy for Systems Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition; Lt. Gen. William Etnyre, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Center; and Lt. Gen. J.R. Dailey, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Research, Development and Acquisition Command.

Subcommittee will meet again Tuesday, May 15.

### APPROPRIATIONS—COAST GUARD

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1991 for the U.S. Coast Guard, receiving testimony from Adm. Paul A. Yost, Jr., Commandant, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

Subcommittee will meet again Wednesday, May 16.

### APPROPRIATIONS—VETERANS AFFAIRS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1991 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, receiving testimony from Edward J. Derwinski, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Subcommittee will meet again Tuesday, May 15.

### AUTHORIZATIONS—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee resumed hearings on S. 2171, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1991 for military functions of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel levels for fiscal year 1991, focusing on alternatives for increasing the utilization of Reserve Forces in the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from Robert D. Reischauer, Director, Robert F. Hale, Assistant Director, and V. Lane Pierrot, Principal Analyst, National Security Division, all of the Congressional Budget Office; Stephen M. Duncan, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs; Will Hill Tankersley, former Chairman, Reserve Forces Policy Board, Department of Defense; John O. Marsh, former Secretary of the Army; and Lt. Gen. LaVern E. Weber, NGUS (Ret.), National Guard Association of the United States, and Maj. Gen. Evan L. Hultman, USA (Ret.), Reserve Officers Association of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### AUTHORIZATIONS—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces and Nuclear Deterrence continued closed hearings on S. 2171, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1991 for military functions of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel levels for fiscal year 1991, focusing on the B-2 Low Observability and Counter-Stealth Analyses, receiving testimony from John J. Welch, Jr.,



Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; Lt. Gen. Thomas R. Ferguson, Jr., USAF, Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition); and other officials of the selected services.

Subcommittee will meet again Wednesday, May 16.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Rear Admiral William J. Kime, USCG, to be Commandant, United States Coast Guard, with the grade of Admiral while so serving, and Rear Admiral Martin H. Daniell, Jr., to be Vice Commandant, United States Coast Guard, with the grade of Vice Admiral while so serving, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Stevens, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## AUTHORIZATIONS—NTSB

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), and to examine staffing requirements of NTSB, after receiving testimony from James L. Kolstad, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and Henry A. Duffy, Air Line Pilots Association, Washington, D.C.

## PRODUCT LIABILITY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Consumer Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1400, to regulate interstate commerce by providing for a uniform product liability law, focusing on the purpose and effect of proposed legal standards, after receiving testimony from James A. Henderson, Jr., Cornell University School of Law, Ithaca, New York; Paul Safchuck, White Lung Association, Baltimore, Maryland; and Linda Lipsen, Consumers Union, Richard Kingham, Covington and Burling, on behalf of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, Sidney M. Wolfe, Public Citizen Health Research Group, and Pamela Gilbert, Public Citizen Congress Watch, Thomas D. Wilcox, National Association of Stevedores, Victor E. Schwartz, Crowell and Moring, and Alfred W. Cortese, Kirkland and Ellis, all of Washington, D.C.

## NASA BUDGET

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1991 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), focusing on space science and applications programs, after receiving testimony from Lennard A. Fisk, Associate Administrator, Office of Space Science and Applications, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; John A. Dutton, College of Earth and Mineral Science, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, representing the Space Studies Board, National

Academy of Sciences; Glenn Mason, University of Maryland, College Park, representing the Space Science Working Group, Association of American Universities; and Paul J. Coleman, Jr., Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, University of California, Los Angeles.

## PUBLIC LANDS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 1767, to reimburse Montana and individuals for expenses incurred to test cattle for brucellosis organisms carried outside Yellowstone National Park by elk and bison, S. 2343, to designate a segment of the Clarks Fork River in the State of Wyoming as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and H.R. 2809, to provide for the transfer of the Calaveras Bigtree National Forest to the State of California, after receiving testimony from Senator Simpson; Representative Craig Thomas; Wyoming Governor Mike Sullivan, Cheyenne; John M. Morehead, Associate Director for Operations, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; James C. Overbay, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, and Billy Johnson, Associate Deputy Administrator for Veterinary Services, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, both of the Department of Agriculture; Kevin J. Coyle, American Rivers, Inc., and Debbie Sease, Sierra Club, both of Washington, D.C.; John B. Winsor, Yellowstone Clarks Fork Coalition, Cody, Wyoming; John Storey, Parker Land and Cattle Company, Inc., Dubois, Wyoming; and Diane B. Flaherty, Davis, California.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Frank D. Yturria, of Texas, and Norton Stevens, of New York, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, and Alan Philip Larson, of Virginia, to be the U.S. Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Yturria was introduced by Senator Gramm, and Mr. Stevens was introduced by Representative Green.

## INDIA

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs met in closed session to receive a briefing on the political situation in Kashmir, India, and India-Pakistan relations from Teresita Schaffer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs; and Jack Gaines, Ray Andrews, and Robert Sheets, all of the Office of Near East and South Asian Analysis, Central Intelligence Agency.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Stanley F. Birch, Jr., of Georgia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Stephen M. McNamee, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, James K. Singleton, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, William M. Nickerson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, John D. Rainey, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Richard W. Vollmer, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, Samuel G. Wilson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, Jack D. Shanstrom, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana, Morris L. Thompson, to be United States Attorney for the District of Kansas, Daniel J. Horgan, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida, and Arthur F. Van Court, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of California.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 594, to establish a specialized corps of judges necessary for certain Federal proceedings required to be conducted, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

## FEC AUTHORIZATION/SENATE MAIL

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Federal Election Commission, after receiving testimony from Lee Ann Elliott, Chairman, John Warren McGarry, Vice Chairman, and Joan D. Aikens, Member, all of the Federal Election Commission.

Also, committee concluded hearings to review Senate policy on official mail, after receiving testimony from Senator Reid.

## NOMINATION

*Select Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Anthony J. Hope, of California, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, Department of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Inouye, testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nomination from Jerry Polansky, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Washington, D.C.; Leonard Prescott, Shakopee Sioux Tribe, Prior Lake, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Indian Gaming Association; and Jerome Levine, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Highland, California.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again Wednesday, May 16.

## House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 25 public bills, H.R. 4782–4806; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 326–328 and H. Res. 390–391 were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 4329, to enhance the position of United States industry through application of the results of Federal research and development, amended (H. Rept. 101–481); and

H.R. 4653, to reauthorize the Export Administration Act of 1979, amended (H. Rept. 101–482).

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**Family and Medical Leave:** By a recorded vote of 237 ayes to 187 noes, Roll No. 107, the House passed H.R. 770, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1990.

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Rejected the Grandy motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the bill back forthwith containing an amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to establish a Commission on Leave which would study the results of a pilot project on family leave policies undertaken in the House of Representatives and, after a period of two years, report back to the Congress on its progress (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 264 noes, Roll No. 106).

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Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed to the Gordon amendment in the nature of a substitute that provides only one category of unpaid leave limited to 12 weeks per year, instead of the two categories of leave over a one or two-year period provided for in the bill; and permanently exempts firms with fewer than 50 employees from coverage, instead of expanding coverage to those with 35 employees after three years as provided for in the bill (agreed to by a recorded vote of 259 ayes to 157 noes, Roll No. 105).

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**Indian Laws:** House passed S. 1846, to make miscellaneous amendments to Indian laws—clearing the measure for the President.

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**Education Programs Assessment:** House agreed, with an amendment, to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3910, to require the Secretary of Education to conduct a comprehensive national assessment of programs carried out with assistance under chapter 1 of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965—returning the measure to the Senate.

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**Simon Wiesenthal Center:** House passed S. 2300, to provide financial assistance to the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, California, for the education programs of the Museum of Tolerance—clearing the measure for the President.

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**Human Rights in China and Tibet:** House passed and cleared for the President S.J. Res. 275, designating May 13, 1990, as the "National Day in Support of Freedom and Human Rights in China and Tibet".

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**Referral:** One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 9986 and 9990. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FARM BILL

*Committee on Agriculture:* Continued markup of H.R. 3950, Food and Agricultural Resources Act of 1990. Will continue May 15.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT

*Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1180, Housing and Community Development Act of 1989.

### EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

*Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Development, Finance, Trade and Monetary Policy held a hearing on Export-Import Bank: Tied Aid Credits and Other Issues. Testimony was heard from Representative Gallo; John D. Macomber, Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank; and public witnesses.

### CONSTRUCTION, SAFETY, HEALTH AND EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT ACT

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Subcommittee on Health and Safety held a hearing on H.R. 4652, Construction Safety, Health and Education Improvement Act of 1990. Testimony was heard from Representative Shays; and public witnesses. Hearings continue May 17.

## U.S.-JAPAN TRADE RELATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Competitiveness held a hearing on U.S.-Japan Trade Relations and General Trade Policy. Testimony was heard from Carla A. Hills, U.S. Trade Representative.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and the Environment approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3880, amended, Medicare Benefit Improvements Act of 1990; H.R. 4039, Disabilities Prevention Act of 1990; and a clean bill to be introduced in lieu of H.R. 4222, Breast and Cervical Cancer Mortality Prevention Act of 1990.

## CH-47D ARMY HELICOPTER

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing regarding safety issues related to the CH-47D Army Helicopter. Testimony was heard from Maj. Gen. Donald R. Williamson, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command, Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance held a hearing on the Telecommunications Policy Act of 1990. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## AFRICAN REFUGEE CRISIS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Operations and the Subcommittee on Africa held a joint hearing on African Refugee Crisis and the U.S. Response. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador at Large Jewel S. Lafontant, Coordinator for Refugee Affairs; and Princeton Lyman, Director, Refugee Programs; Nick Morris, Deputy Head, Regional Bureau for Africa, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; and public witnesses.

## EXERCISE OF PROSECUTORIAL AUTHORITY

*Committee on Government Operations:* Subcommittee on Government Information, Justice and Agriculture held a hearing on Exercise of Prosecutorial Authority in a changing Legal Environment. Testimony was heard from Edward S. Dennis, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

## OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment held an oversight hearing on the future of nuclear power. Testimony was heard from Peter A. Bradford, Chairman, Public Service Commission, State of New York; and public witnesses.

**OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, Subcommittee on Forests, Family Farms and Energy of the Committee on Agriculture and the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held a joint oversight hearing on long-term solutions to the old growth forest controversy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: George Leonard, Associate Chief; and Jerry Franklin; D. Cy Jamison, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4535, Debt Collection Amendments Act of 1990; and H.R. 4384, to extend until September 30, 1992, those provisions of section 3718 of title 31, United States Code, relating to contracts for collection services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Stuart E. Schiffer, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division; and Robert N. Ford, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Debt Collection Management, Justice Management Division; Leonard L. Haynes, Assistant Secretary, Postsecondary Education, Department of Education; J. Robert Franks, Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, USDA; and a public witness.

**OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights held an oversight hearing on the authorization request for fiscal year 1991 for the Civil Rights Division at the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from John R. Dunne, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.

**OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Administration of Justice concluded oversight hearings on Federal Prison Industries and the Implementation of the Federal Prison Industries Provisions of the "Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988." Testimony was heard from Representatives Henry, Ireland and Upton.

**FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ACT**

*Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries:* Subcommittee on Oceanography and Great Lakes and the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment held a joint hearing on H.R. 3719, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Act of 1990. Testimony was heard from Senator Graham; Representative Fascell, Tim Keeney, Director, Office of Coastal Resource Manage-

ment, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Capt. James R. White, USCG, Chief, Short Range Aids to Navigation Division, Office of Navigation Safety and Waterways, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**COASTAL POLLUTION**

*Committee on Public Works and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Water Resources continued hearings on issues concerning coastal pollution. Testimony was heard from Representative Lowey of New York; Howard Levenson, Senior Analyst, Oceans and Environment Program, OTA; and public witnesses.

**MEDICARE PROGRAM**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on fiscal year 1991 budget issues relating to prospective payment for certain services under the Medicare program. Testimony was heard from Gail R. Wilensky, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Stuart H. Altman, Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission; and public witnesses.

**Joint Meeting****BOARD MEETING**

*Office of Technology Assessment:* The Board met and approved the following project proposals:

- (1) Technology Opportunities in Economic Conversion;
- (2) Managing the Nation's Defense Industrial Base in a Changing Environment; and
- (3) Staying on Top: The Challenges of Technological Change and Global Competition in Protecting Intellectual Property.

Board recessed subject to call.

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**Friday, May 11, 1990**

**Senate****Chamber Action**

*Routine Proceedings, pages 10131-10218*

**Measures Introduced:** Six bills and two resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 2611-2616, S. Res. 283, and S.J. Res. 312.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 1076, to increase public understanding of the natural environment and to advance and develop environmental education and training, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 101-284)

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